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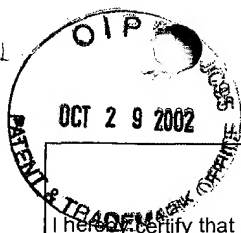
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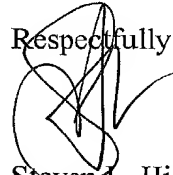
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In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-10, *i.e.*, the Group I claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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